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# AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Attorney Docket  
PA0287-US /  
11269.15

Application Serial Number:	Filing Date:	Examiner:	Group Art Unit:
09/714,747	November 16, 2000	David B. Esplin	2851

Invention: STAGE ASSEMBLY INCLUDING A REACTION MASS ASSEMBLY

## TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENT AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

### CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	181	MINUS	183	0	\$18	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	21	MINUS	15	6	\$84	\$504

\_\_\_ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of \_\_\_ to and through \_\_\_, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

\_\_\_ one month (\$110)      \_\_\_ three months (\$930)  
\_\_\_ two months (\$410)      \_\_\_ four months (\$1,450)

### TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT

\$504.00

Enclosed herewith:

- ☒ Amendment and Response After Final Rejection.
- ☒ A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (form 1449 Modified), transmittal, and references.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$684.00 for the additional claims, including \$180 for the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard.
- ☒ The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1141, pertaining to 1) any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims; 2) any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ Any additional extension of time required for the timely submission of this paper, the fees for which have not been previously paid, is hereby petitioned for and requested.

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PATENT - Reply under 37 CFR 1.116  
Expedited Procedure – Examining Group 2851

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:	Hazelton, et al.	)
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Serial No:	09/714,747	) Art Unit
		) 2851
Filed:	November 16, 2000	)
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For:	Stage Assembly Including a Reaction	)
	Mass Assembly	)
		)
Examiner:	Esplin, David	)
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Attorney Docket:	PA0287-US / 11269.15	)

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

This amendment and response is to the Final Office Action dated May 1, 2003. The Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment and Response be considered after final rejection because the Applicants have complied with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. The Application, as amended, is believed by the Applicants to be in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, allowance of all pending claims is respectfully requested.

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